

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 20-54 are pending in the present application. By this reply, claims 1-19 have been cancelled and new claims 20-54 have been added. Claims 20, 30, 38, 47, 53 and 54 are independent claims.

The Abstract, specification and claims have been revised to correct informalities and to clarify the invention according to U.S. practice. These modifications are fully supported by the original disclosure and do not add any new matter. Particularly, new claims 20-54 are directed to a method and apparatus of generating a transport stream in according with the embodied invention. The claimed feature of reproducing from a recording medium an MPEG transport stream and selectively inserting program managing information into the reproduced MPEG transport stream is fully supported by the original disclosure, e.g., Figure 4 and the corresponding description.

35 U.S.C. §§ 102 & 103 Rejections

Claims 1-11 and 14-19 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Horiguchi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,370,322). Claims 12 and 13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Horiguchi et al. et al. in view of Komi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,477,185). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Without acquiescing to any of the Examiner's allegations made in rejecting the claims, Applicants hereby cancelled existing claims 1-19 to

expedite prosecution. Accordingly, the rejections are moot and must be withdrawn.

Regarding the new independent claims, neither Horiguchi et al. nor Komi et al. teaches or suggests the claimed invention. Particularly, Horiguchi et al. is directed to recording a digital data stream having a certain format as shown in Figure 3. Komi et al. provides as shown in Figures 11(a) and 11(b) packetizing the stream of a coded program to generate Packetized Elementary Stream packets (PES packets). In clear contrast, Applicants' claimed invention is directed to reproducing from a recording medium an MPEG transport stream and selectively inserting into the reproduced transport stream a presentation managing information. These features are completely absent from the prior art of record.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons and in view of the above clarifying amendments, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw all of the objections and rejections of record, and earnestly solicit an early issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

Should there be any outstanding matters which need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Esther H. Chong (Registration No. 40,953) at the telephone number of the

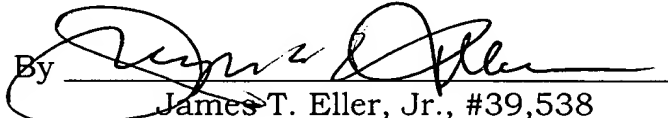
undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

Applicant(s) respectfully petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and 1.17 for a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Examiner's Office Action. The Extension of Time Fee in the amount of \$110.00 is attached hereto.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Abstract
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**METHOD FOR RECORDING DIGITAL DATA STREAM AND
FOR PROVIDING PRESENTATION MANAGING INFORMATION FOR
THE RECORDED DIGITAL DATA STREAM**

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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1. Field of the Invention

[001] The present invention relates to a method and apparatus for providing presentation managing information which is required for a digital television to present received a program variously and immediately when reproducing a digital data stream recorded ~~in~~ on a disk recording medium such as a high density digital versatile disk (referred as 'HDVD' hereinafter).

2. Description of the Related Art

[002] FIG. 1 is block diagrams of a DVD player and a digital television which are connected each other through a digital interface such as IEEE 1394 standard.

[003] The DVD player 100 comprises an optical pickup 2 for detecting data recorded ~~in~~ on a DVD 1; a demodulator 3 for demodulating and error-correcting the detected data; a scrambler 4 (or a copy protecting device) for scrambling data outputted from the demodulator 3 with copy protecting codes; a path selector 5 for selecting one or two output ~~path~~ paths for data scrambled with the copy protecting codes; a data parser 6 for parsing the data stream, whose type is program stream (PS); and received through the path selector 5, into presentation and navigation data and then parsing the presentation data into audio, video and sub-picture data again; decoders 7 and 8 for decoding the parsed audio and video data into uncompressed data respectively; a presentation engine 9 for combining the decoded audio and video data into a digital audio signal and a digital video signal; D/A converters 10 and 11 for converting the digital audio and video data into corresponding analog signals respectively; a microcomputer 12 for controlling the reproduction operation for the optical disk 1 depending upon the navigation data from the data parser 6 and a key command from a user;

a memory 15 storing data necessary for the control operation of the microcomputer 12; a PS/TS converter 13 for converting the PS outputted from the path selector 5 into a transport stream (TS); and an interface 14 for transmitting the converted TS through a IEEE 1394 digital communication line.

[004] The digital TV 200 comprises an interface 21 for receiving the TS from the DVD player 100 through the IEEE 1394 digital communication line; a deMUX 23 for demuxing the received TS into audio and video data; decoders 24 and 25 for decoding the audio and video data into uncompressed audio and video data respectively; D/A converters 26 and 27 for converting the uncompressed digital data into corresponding analog audio and video signals respectively; a microcomputer 22 for generating control signals for each element corresponding to a ~~users~~ user's key input; an on-screen displaying (OSD) circuitry 28 for outputting character signals corresponding to an advisory message provided by the microcomputer 22 onto a screen; a mixer 30 for mixing the character signals with the video signals; and a memory 29 storing data necessary for the control operation of the microcomputer 22.

[005] A key entering means 50 such as a remote controller for controlling ~~operation~~ the operations of the DVD player 100 and/or the D-TV 200 is also shown in FIG. 1.

[006] In the DVD player 100 configured as FIG. 1, recorded signals detected from the DVD 1 by the optical pickup 2 are demodulated into PS by the demodulator 3. The PS is separated into audio, video and sub-picture data of MPEG format by the data parser 6, and the MPEG-formatted data are converted into audio and video signals by the decoders 7, 8, and 9, the presentation engine 10, and the D/A converters 11 and 12. Also, the PS is sent to the PS/TS converter ~~14~~ 13 through the path selector 5. The PS/TS converter ~~14~~ 13 decodes the PS and interprets the stream identification number, sorts out the PS into program specific information (PSI) for controlling program presentation, presentation data containing audio and video data, and system clock data.

[007] The PSI and system clock data are used as information for controlling presentation of program and system clock synchronization, respectively.

[008] The presentation data are converted into TS whose format is acceptable to the digital TV 200 and transferred to the digital TV 200 through the IEEE 1394 interfaces 14 and 21. Accordingly, the digital TV 200 can present high-quality digital video and audio to a viewer after decoding the received TS.

~~The~~**[009]** A difference between aforementioned PS and TS is as follows.

[010] The PS ~~consists~~ is composed of several packs and each pack ~~consists of~~ has packetized elementary stream (PES) packets containing digitized video, audio, and additional information data. A PES packet can contain data whose size is variable so that the size of a PES packet may not be same all the time.

[011] On the contrary, the TS ~~consists~~ is composed of transport packets (TPs) and each packet has a fixed length of 188 bytes including its packet header.

[012] Accordingly, when converting a PS into a TS, each PES packet of PS should be divided into packets of TS sequentially and necessary header information is added to each divided transport packet (TP) at that time. Because a PES packet is divided into multiple TPs, the remaining area of the last TP is stuffed with null data after writing all data of a PES packet in the multiple TPs.

[013] However, ~~A~~ a recently-developed HDVD player has adopted the TS format as the recording-type of data stream for a HDVD so that a data stream reproduced from a HDVD can be directly signal-processed in a digital television in consideration that a HDVD player is connected with a digital television. Therefore no TS/PS conversion will be required in transmitting the reproduced digital data stream to a the digital television. However, a the digital television receiving the transport stream needs presentation managing information such as program specific information (PSI) for various and stable video and audio presentation. It is standard that the PSI is

periodically or intermittently inserted in the digital broadcast signal.

[014] Accordingly, the method for recording presentation managing information such as the PSI repeatedly ~~in~~ on a HDVD may be considered. However, if the presentation managing information is repeatedly recorded ~~in~~ on a HDVD, the space for program data on the disc is remarkably decreased.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[015] Accordingly, it is an object of the present invention to provide a method and apparatus for providing management information, which overcome the limitations associated with the related art.

[016] It is another ~~It is an~~ object of the present invention to provide a method and apparatus for constructing presentation managing information such as PSI ~~a digital television requires~~ based on the management information of digital data stream reproduced a high-density disk-type recording medium such as HDVD, inserting the constructed presentation managing information in packetized format into the reproduced data stream intermittently or periodically, and then transmitting the data stream containing the packetized presentation managing information to a digital television, thereby eliminating the necessity of repeated recording of the presentation managing information such as the program specific information.

~~A method for recording digital data stream in a disk recording medium according to the present invention, divides digital data stream into predetermined-sized packets in the basis of presentation time of each divided stream; produces specific information indicating when to send presentation managing information to be used for control the presentation of the digital data stream; inserts the produced specific information between the packets for the divided stream; and records the packets and the specific information sequentially in the disk recording medium.~~

~~A method for providing presentation managing information of digital data stream according to the present invention, reproduces data stream recorded in a disk recording medium; extracts navigation information from the reproduced data stream; produces a program managing information packet based on the extracted navigation~~

~~information; decides when to send the produced program managing information packet; and transmits the presentation managing information packet at the decided time.~~

~~Another method for providing presentation managing information of digital data stream according to the present invention, after aforementioned data stream reproducing, navigation information extracting, and program managing information packet producing, reconstructs the video and audio data packets of the reproduced data stream while inserting the produced program managing information packet into the data packets, and transmits the reconstructed packets sequentially.~~[017]

These and other objects of the present application will become more readily apparent from the detailed description given hereinafter. However, it should be understood that the detailed description and specific examples, while indicating preferred embodiments of the invention, are given by way of illustration only, since various changes and modifications within the spirit and scope of the invention will become apparent to those skilled in the art from this detailed description.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[018] The accompanying drawings, which are included to provide a further understanding of the invention, illustrate the preferred embodiments of the invention, and together with the description, serve to explain the principles of the present invention.

[019] In the drawings:

[020] FIG. 1 is a block diagram of a general DVD player and a digital television;

[021] FIG. 2 is a block diagram of a DVD player and a digital television to which a method for recording digital data stream and providing presentation managing information therefor according to the present invention is applied to; according to an embodiment of the present invention;

~~FIG. 3 shows~~ [022] FIG. 3 shows an example of a layer structure and data syntax of the presentation control information (PCI) according to the present invention;

[023] FIG. 4 is ~~the~~ a first embodiment of a presentation managing information providing method according to the present invention;

[024] FIG. 5 is ~~the~~ a second embodiment of a presentation managing information providing method according to the present invention;

[025] FIG. 6 is ~~the~~ a third embodiment of a presentation managing information providing method according to the present invention; and

[026] FIG. 7 is ~~the~~ a fourth embodiment of a presentation managing information providing method according to the present invention;

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

EMBODIMENTS

[027] In order that the invention may be fully understood, preferred embodiments thereof will now be described with reference to the accompanying drawings.

[028] FIG. 2 is a block diagram of a HDVD player and a digital television to which a method for recording digital data stream and providing presentation managing information therefor according to the present invention is applied.

[029] The HDVD player 300 of FIG. 2 comprises an optical pickup 32 for detecting data recorded ~~in~~ on a HDVD 31; a demodulator 33 for demodulating and error-correcting the detected data; a scrambler 34 (or a copy protecting device) for scrambling data outputted from the demodulator 33 with copy protecting codes; a data parser 35 for parsing the data stream, (whose type is TS,) scrambled with the copy protecting codes into presentation and navigation data and then parsing the presentation data into audio and video data; a presentation engine 36 for decoding the parsed audio and video data into uncompressed data respectively, and converting the decoded audio and video data into digitized real audio and video data; D/A converter 37 for converting the digitized audio and video data into

corresponding analog and video signals respectively; a microcomputer 39 for generating packetized presentation managing information, for example PSI to be used for adequate and immediate program presentation, and controlling reproduction operation for the HDVD 31 based on the navigation data from the data parser 35 and a key command from a user; a memory 40 storing data necessary for the control operation of the microcomputer 39; a TS MUX 38 for reformatting the video and audio data from the parser 35 into TS packets and multiplexing the reformatted packets and the packetized program managing information from the microcomputer 39; and an interface ~~15~~ 41 for transmitting the multiplexed transport packets through a IEEE 1394 digital communication line.

[030] The digital TV 200 of FIG. 2 comprises an interface 21 for receiving TS from the DVD player ~~100~~ 300 through the IEEE 1394 digital communication line; a deMUX 23 for demuxing the received TS into audio and video data; decoders 24 25 and ~~25~~ 24 for decoding the audio and video data into uncompressed audio and video data respectively; D/A converters ~~26~~ 27 and ~~27~~ 26 for converting the uncompressed digital data into corresponding analog audio and video signals respectively; a microcomputer 22 for generating control signals for each element corresponding to a ~~users~~ user's key input; an on-screen displaying (OSD) circuitry 28 for outputting character signals corresponding to an advisory message provided by the microcomputer 22 onto a screen; a mixer 30 for mixing the character signals with the video signals; and a memory 29 storing data necessary for control operation of the microcomputer 22.

[031] The method for recording digital data stream and providing presentation managing information for digital data stream according to the present invention will now be described in detail.

[032] FIG. 3 ~~is~~ shows a recording syntax for TS-formatted data of a HDVD according to the present invention. As shown in FIG. 3, one or more high-density-recorded stream objects (HOB) are recorded ~~in~~ on a HDVD. A single HOB is corresponding to a single title or program and is composed of ~~a lot of~~ many high-density-recorded stream object units (HOBUs). A single

HOBUs are composed of the first pack of navigation data and the remaining packs, which are corresponding to the GOP layer of the MPEG standard, of video and audio data. The navigation pack contains program control information (PCI) and data search information (DSI) and the first pack among the presentation data packs is always the start pack of data of an Infra-coded picture (I-picture).

[033] In the PCI recorded in the first pack, PCI general information and information on angle, highlight, recording parameters, whose format is given in (a) of FIG. 3, are recorded for controlling various presentation of data stream reproduced from an HDVD. Therefore, the microcomputer 39 extracts the PCI, that is, the PCI general information and information of angle, highlight and recording parameters and constructs the extracted information into TP-formatted PSI which is interpretable in the digital television 200. The constructed PSI packet ~~consists of~~ includes internal fields described in (b) of FIG. 3.

[034] Other attribute fields not described in (b) of FIG. 3 may be inserted in the PSI packet or may replace the described fields of the PSI packet depending upon the data stream to be transmitted to the digital television.

[035] FIG. 4 is the first embodiment of a presentation managing information providing method according to the present invention. When a TS for audio and video data of a title or a program is recorded by a TS MUX 500 equipped in the HDVD manufacturing apparatus as shown in FIG. 4 to manufacture an HDVD-ROM, there may be a time interval in which audio and video data packets will not be delivered to a presentation apparatus such as a digital television. Therefore, the microcomputer 39 of the HDVD player 300 detects the interval while reproducing the recorded program or title of an HDVD 31, then outputs the PSI packet produced by the aforementioned method to the TS MUX 38 during the detected interval after deciding on whether the PSI packet should be delivered at this interval, thereby inserting the packetized presentation managing information such as the PSI between the transport packets containing video and audio data without delaying any

data packet in transferring to the digital television 200.

[036] To be brief, the microcomputer 39 decides whether to send the PSI packet at the time when the null interval is detected, produces the PSI packet and inserts it into the null interval based on the decision, ~~therefore,~~ Therefore, the digital television 200 receives intermittently PSI for the reproduced data stream so that it uses PSI to present video and audio in various format and/or as immediately as possible when channel is switched.

[037] FIG. 5 is the second embodiment of a presentation managing information providing method according to the present invention. When a TS for audio and video of a title or a program is recorded by a TS MUX 500 equipped in the HDVD manufacturing apparatus as shown in FIG. 5 to manufacture a HDVD-ROM, if there is time interval in which audio and video data packets will not be delivered to a presentation apparatus and the time interval is likely to be used as a time slot for a PSI packet to be sent, a null data packet, whose packet ID, for example 1FFFh is different from those of video and audio packets, is inserted for the time interval to be recorded between data packets. Therefore, the microcomputer 39 of the HDVD player 300 detects the null data packet while reproducing the recorded program or title, then replaces the detected null packet with the PSI packet produced by the aforementioned method and applies the PSI packet to the TS MUX 38 instead of the detected null data packet, thereby providing the packetized presentation managing information such as the PSI between the TS packets containing video and audio without affecting the data packet delivering time.

[038] To be brief, the microcomputer 39 produces the PSI packet and replaces the null data packet with it whenever the null data packet is detected or several null data packets are detected successively, ~~therefore,~~ Therefore, the digital television 200 receives intermittently PSI for the reproduced data stream so that it uses PSI to control presentation of video and audio.

[039] FIG. 6 is the third embodiment of a presentation managing information providing method according to the present invention. When a TS for audio and video of a title or a program is recorded by a TS MUX 500

equipped in the HDVD manufacturing apparatus as shown in FIG. 6 to manufacture a HDVD-ROM, if there is time interval in which audio and video data packets will not be delivered to a presentation apparatus and the time interval should be used as a time slot for a PSI packet to be sent, a pseudo PSI packet, whose packet ID is distinguished from those of video and audio packets, is inserted for the time interval to be recorded between data packets. This pseudo PSI packet has no data field besides information regarding time to send real PSI packet.

[040] Therefore, the microcomputer 39 of the HDVD player 300 detects the pseudo PSI packet while reproducing the recorded program or title, then replaces the detected pseudo packet with a real PSI packet produced by the aforementioned method and applies the PSI packet to the TS MUX 38 on time specified in the time information written in the detected pseudo PSI packet, thereby providing the packetized presentation managing information such as the PSI between the TS packets containing video and audio without affecting the data packet delivering time.

[041] To be brief, the microcomputer 39 produces the PSI packet and replaces the pseudo PSI packet with it whenever the pseudo PSI packet is detected, ~~therefore.~~ Therefore, the digital television 200 receives intermittently PSI for the reproduced data stream so that it uses PSI to present video and audio variously and/or immediately.

[042] FIG. 7 is the fourth embodiment of a presentation managing information providing method according to the present invention. For this embodiment, the TS MUX 38 of the HDVD player 300 shown in FIG. 2 is replaced with two elements of a TS decoder 381 and a TS encoder 382. The TS decoder 381 converts the reproduced audio and video data packets from the data parser 35 into a packetized elementary stream (PES) and the TS encoder 382 reconstructs the PES into transport packets as inserting the PSI packets between the audio and video data packets. In this embodiment, when a TS for audio and video of a title or a program is recorded by a TS MUX 500 equipped in the HDVD manufacturing apparatus as shown in FIG. 7 to manufacture a HDVD-ROM, no information indicating when to deliver

the PSI packet is written. Therefore, the TS encoder 382 encodes the PSI packets produced periodically by the microcomputer 39 into transport packets together with the PES of audio and video data being inputted from the TS decoder 381, thereby inserting the packetized PSI between the audio and video data transport packets periodically.

[043] Because the TS encoder 382 reconstructs the decoded PES into transport packets, the reconstructed packets may not be transmitted to the digital television 200 on time specified in the time information such as PTS or PCR contained in the original TS packets recorded ~~in~~ on the HDVD. Therefore, the TS encoder 382 writes new time information adequate to present delivering time in the reconstructed packets.

[044] Accordingly, the PSI for the data stream reproduced from the HDVD is periodically provided to the digital television 200, which means that the digital television 200 receives periodically PSI for the received data stream so that it uses PSI to present video and audio data variously and/or immediately.

[045] The method for providing PSI of the reproduced digital data stream according to the present invention makes it unnecessary to record PSI repeatedly in the presentation data packs by producing PSI packets based on the information written in the navigation pack, thereby improving the recording efficiency of the high-density disk recording medium.

[046] Although the preferred embodiment of the present invention have been disclosed for illustrative purposes, those skilled in the art will appreciate that various modifications, additions and substitutions are possible, without departing from the scope and spirit of the invention as recited in the accompanying claims.